

Amendment to the Claims:

1-14 (Cancelled)

15. (Currently Amended) A water treatment apparatus comprising:

at least one airtight tank having a raw water inlet and a treated water outlet, said
~~wherein the airtight tank is always filled with water; and sealed at its lower part with~~
a separating wall that is always in contact with ~~soaked in~~ level adjustment water
and raw water, said separating wall controlling the volume of the raw water in said tank.

16. (Previously Presented) A water treatment apparatus according to claim 15, wherein
the separating wall is connected to the interior surface of the tank and divides said tank
into a first chamber and a second chamber and in which the separating wall moves within
said tank responsive to the water level in the second chamber to control the water level of
the first chamber.

17. (Previously Presented) A water treatment apparatus according to claim 16, wherein
the tank comprises at least one inlet and one outlet fitted on the second chamber for water
level adjustment.

18. (Currently Amended) A water treatment apparatus according to claim 15 wherein the
separating wall is formed of a ~~multangular~~ multi-angular shaped or circular shaped
separating wall panel and a flexible sheet.

19. (Previously Presented) A water treatment apparatus according to claim 18, wherein the flexible sheet is connected to the separating wall panel and the interior surface of the tank.
20. (Previously Presented) A water treatment apparatus according to claim 15 which comprises a stirring device which is disposed inside said tank.
21. (Currently Amended) A water treatment apparatus according to claim 15 wherein a floatation adjustment bag is fitted to the lowest part of the separating wall.
22. (Previously Presented) A water treatment apparatus according to claim 15 wherein a floatation adjustment bag is fitted to the separating wall.
23. (Previously Presented) A water treatment apparatus according to claim 22, further comprising a means for supplying and removing air from said floatation adjustment bag.
24. (Currently Amended) A water treatment apparatus according to claim 16 ~~farther~~ further comprising a plurality of airtight tanks.
25. (Previously Presented) A water treatment apparatus according to claim 24, wherein the second chambers of each of the tanks are linked such that water can flow between the second chambers of the tanks.
26. (Previously Presented) A water treatment apparatus according to claim 24 wherein the first chambers are linked to a storage tank.